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MEMORANDUM

To: City Council Finance Committee
From: Richard Raiche, Director of Infrastructure and Asset Management, City of Somerville
Date: 3 April 2024
RE: Item 24-0193: Requesting approval of a time-only extension to 4/30/2025 for the contract with ADS LLC for flow metering services

The Department of Infrastructure & Asset Management has held Contract 210361 with ADS LLC for metering flows in our sewers for the past three years. Since that time, a new state law requiring public notification of Combined Sewer Overflows (CSOs) has taken effect and one of the meters under that contract is necessary for the City to remain compliant with that law. As an aside for anyone who has interest in water quality in the Alewife Brook, Mystic River, and Charles River, we strongly recommend signing up for those CSO email alerts from Somerville, Cambridge, and the MWRA here:

- [Combined and Sanitary Sewer Overflow Control | City of Somerville \(somervillema.gov\)](https://www.somervillema.gov/combined-sanitary-sewer-overflow-control)
- [Combined Sewer Overflows - City of Cambridge, MA \(cambridgema.gov\)](https://www.cambridgema.gov/combined-sewer-overflows)
- [MWRA CSO Notifications](https://www.mwra.com/CSO-Notifications)

As Contract 210361 is set to expire, IAM and Procurement & Contract Services have issued RFP 24-54 ([RFP 24-54 CSO Flow Metering | City of Somerville \(somervillema.gov\)](https://www.somervillema.gov/rfp-24-54-cso-flow-metering)) to obtain the required metering services for a new 3-year cycle. However, given the regulatory requirement, we need the existing meter to remain active until the new contract is awarded and a replacement meter is fully operational (in the instance that ADS does not win the new contract). Therefore, we need to extend the current contract on a month-to-month basis until that time.

This agenda item is the request for that time-only extension to that contract. The additional monthly charges are covered by our metering budget line and those expenses will shift to the new contract once the new meter is operational. Thank you for your consideration and let me know if you have any questions.